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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS

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STEPHEN BECKMAN,
Plaintiff

VS.

BULL HN INFORMATION SYSTEMS,
INC.,
Defendant
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CIVIL ACTION
NO. 03-12567-NG

DEPOSITION OF JOSEPH DESOUSA, called by the Defendant, taken pursuant to the applicable provisions of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, before Ruth E. Hulke, Certified Shorthand Reporter No. 114893 and Notary Public for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, at Wilmer, Cutler, Pickering, Hale and Dorr, LLP, 60 State Street, Boston, Massachusetts, on Monday, April 11, 2005, commencing at 2:00 p.m.

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1 go into the plants and conduct a physical inventory.
2 That's a once a year process. I worked with him a few
3 times on physical inventories.

4 Q. Were these occasions when you were working in
5 different facilities?

6 A. Right. At the time in its heyday they had a
7 facility in Lawrence, Lowell and Brighton. As part of
8 the integrity of the balance sheet, you have to take a
9 physical inventory. We would take the inventory under
10 the auspices of the external logs, so I worked with Steve
11 or vice-versa.

12 Q. At some point in time did you become aware that
13 layoffs were happening at Bull?

14 A. Oh, yes.

15 Q. When did you first become aware that layoffs
16 were occurring?

17 A. The past, my last ten years there you could see
18 them coming.

19 Q. From '86 forward?

20 A. Oh, sure. You could see the industry was
21 changing, consolidating, and, you know, I knew for the
22 past ten years layoffs were coming all over the place,
23 yeah.

1 Q. Did you become aware at some point that Bull's
2 revenues and profits were declining?

3 A. Oh, yes. Because I'm in part of that financial
4 reporting group. We see some of the results.

5 Q. How did you first learn that?

6 A. We would hear presentations from higher
7 management. They told us how the division was doing.

8 Q. Which division?

9 A. We were Honeywell, we originally started out as
10 Honeywell Datamatic Division, a separate division in the
11 computer industry. This was 1965. Then they started
12 buying out a number of small computer companies in the
13 sixties and seventies, and they bought out the GE
14 computer business. So we were the computer division of
15 Honeywell. So we knew based on quarterly or annual
16 presentations how the computer division was doing. We
17 knew based on revenues and volumes. Then we finally sold
18 our piece to Honeywell, to Bull, who was the French
19 outfit.

20 The genesis of it all is when GE got into the
21 computer business, Bull owned fifteen percent of GE. In
22 the seventies, Honeywell bought GE's business out, and
23 what came with that was Bull's fifteen percent. That

1 unit going for a quarter million dollars. That is how
2 powerful it is today. So that just killed the industry.

3 Q. When did you become aware that the
4 manufacturing division at Bull was going to have
5 significant layoffs?

6 A. Well, because we could see the, we knew in our
7 capacity as analysts and our planners there, we could see
8 the volumes that manufacturing had to produce, and the
9 volumes, the manufacturing volumes are constantly
10 declining. Okay? We could see this year to year to
11 year. You have to realize, hey, we can't sustain this
12 type of operation, we can't go from three shifts down to
13 two shifts and down to one shift. And the investment for
14 that industry was really expensive. Machines cost
15 \$500,000 just to operate a printer circuit line.

16 We knew the volumes, Steve and I. Steve would tell
17 me what the volumes were. We knew from quarter to, at
18 least, quarter to quarter how the volumes were
19 decreasing, decreasing, decreasing.

20 Q. The volumes of what?

21 A. Manufacturing volumes. Which, in turn, would
22 translate into later on sales volumes. So we knew the
23 product, manufacturing product was decreasing which, in